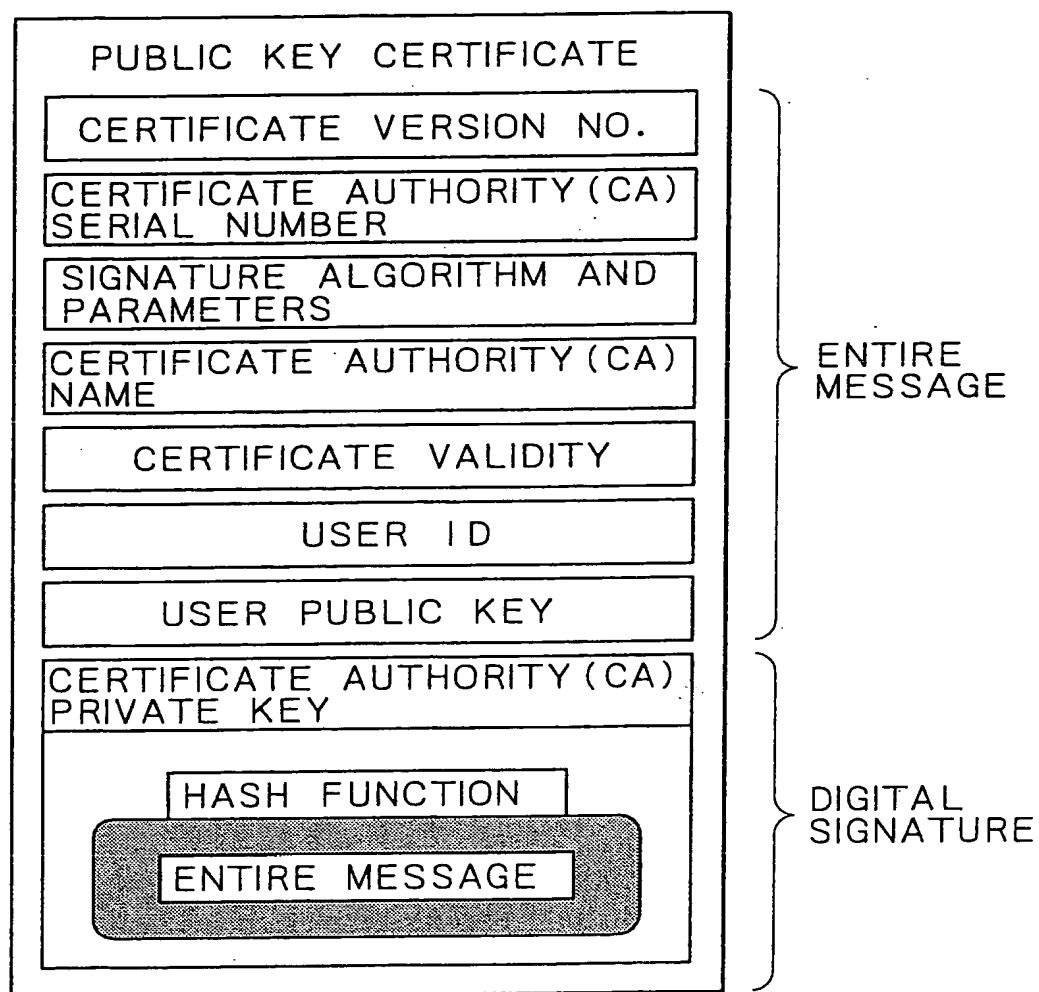




FIG. 1



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FIG. 21A

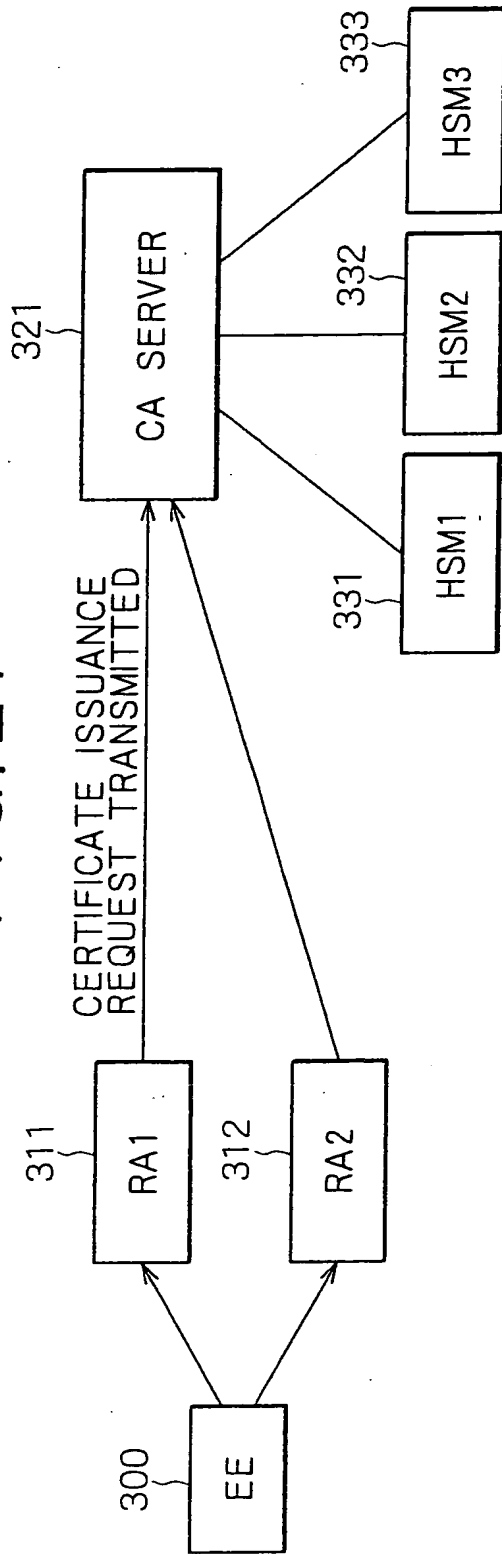


FIG. 21B

RA MANAGEMENT  
DATABASE

RA ID	USAGE OF MULTIPLE- SIGNATURE ALGORITHM	SIGNATURE ALGORITHM	KEY LENGTH	PARAMETERS	LOAD DISTRIBUTION	HSM IN USE
RA1	X	RSA	1024 bits	—	X	HSM1
RA2	O	RSA	2048 bits	—	X	HSM2
RA2	O	ECDSA	192 bits	p=XX,...	X	HSM3
RA2	O	ECDSA	192 bits	p=YY,...	X	HSM3

FIG. 21C

VERIFICATION  
KEY DATABASE

HSM ID	SIGNATURE ALGORITHM	KEY LENGTH	PARAMETERS	VERIFICATION KEY
HSM1	RSA	1024 bits	—	$\Diamond \Pi$
HSM2	RSA	2048 bits	—	$\blacklozenge \Pi$
HSM3	ECDSA	192 bits	p=XX,...	$\triangle \Pi$
HSM3	ECDSA	192 bits	p=YY,...	$\blacktriangle \Pi$

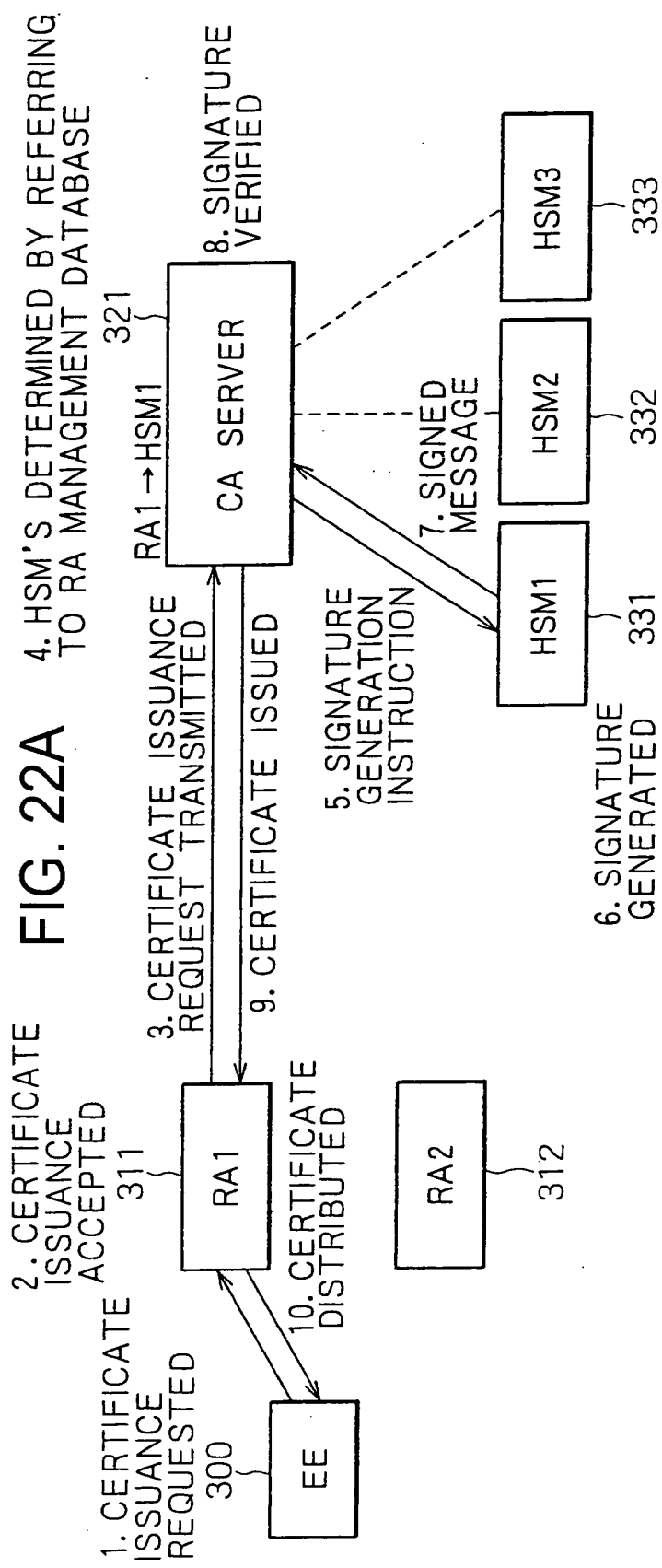


FIG. 22B

CERTIFICATE ISSUANCE REQUEST		
COMMAND	MESSAGE	RA ID
CERTIFICATE ISSUANCE	Message1	RA2

FIG. 22C

SIGNATURE GENERATION INSTRUCTION	
COMMAND	MESSAGE
SIGNATURE GENERATION	Message1

FIG. 23A

4. HSM'S DETERMINED BY REFERRING TO RA MANAGEMENT DATABASE

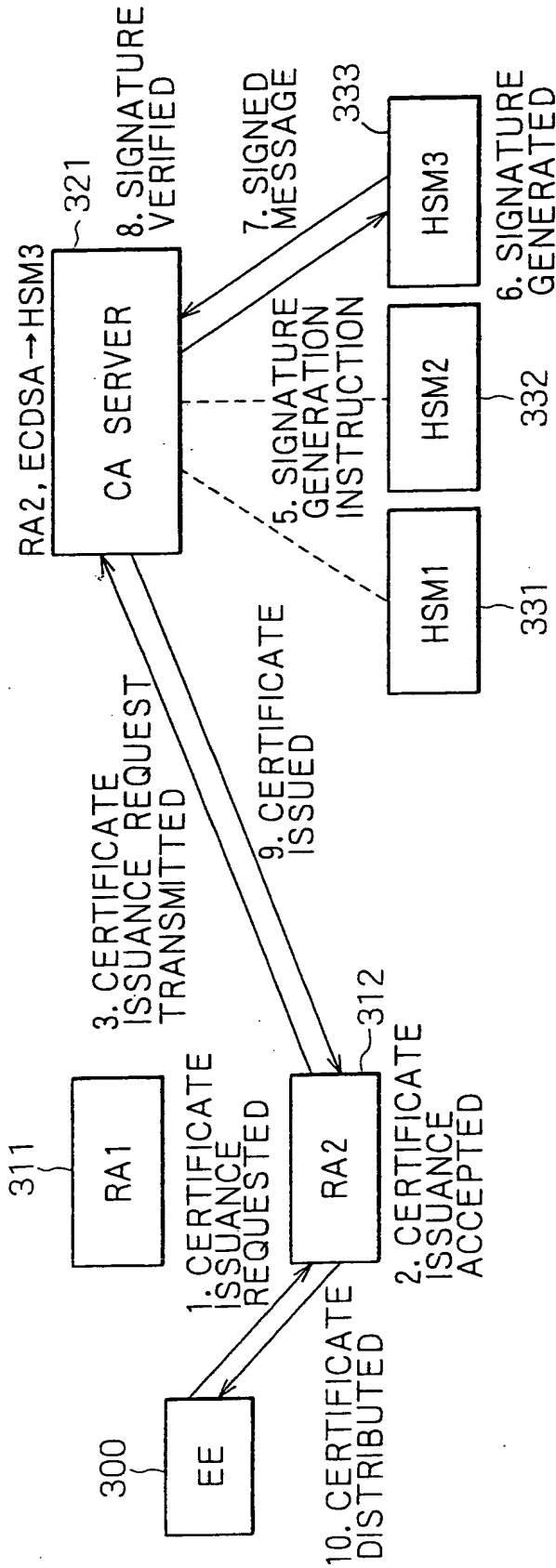


FIG. 23B

CERTIFICATE ISSUANCE REQUEST

COMMAND	MESSAGE	RA ID	SIGNAL ALGORITHM	KEY LENGTH	PARAMETERS
CERTIFICATE ISSUANCE	Message2	RA2	ECDSA	192 bits	p=XX,...

FIG. 23C

SIGNATURE GENERATION INSTRUCTION

COMMAND	MESSAGE	KEY LENGTH	PARAMETERS
SIGNATURE GENERATION	Message2	192 bits	p=XX,...

FIG. 24 A

4. HSM'S DETERMINED BASED ON CERTIFICATE ISSUANCE REQUEST AND RA MANAGEMENT DATABASE

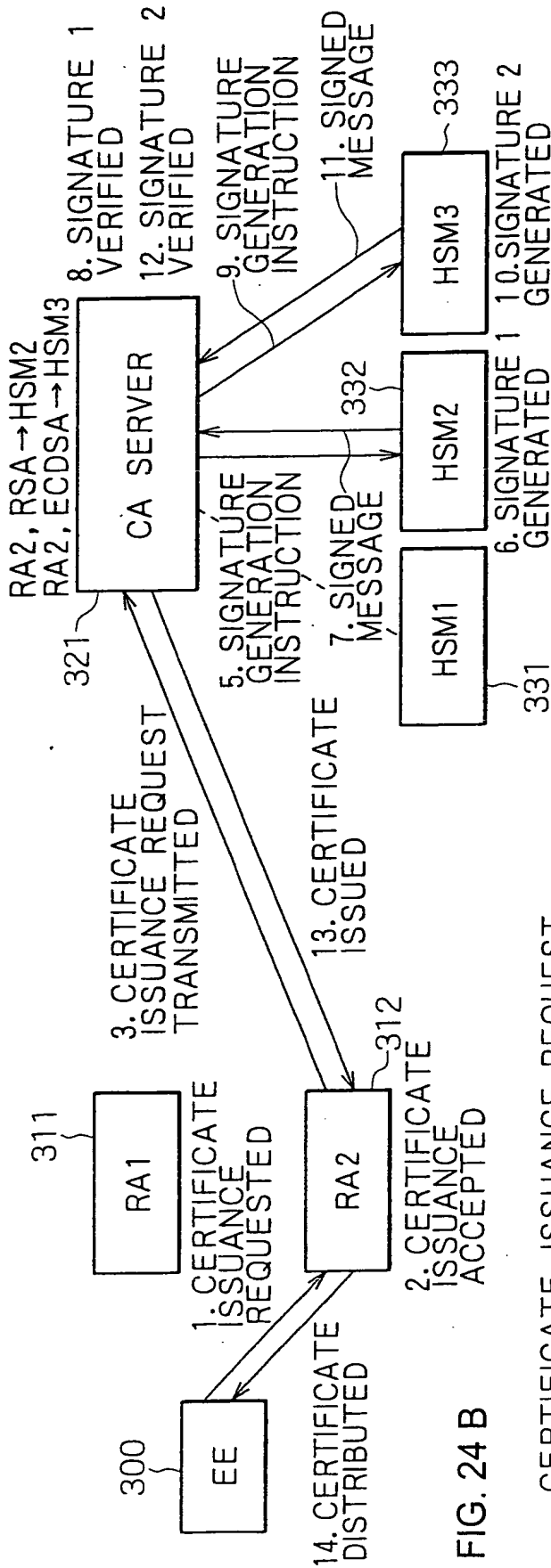


FIG. 24 B

CERTIFICATE ISSUANCE REQUEST

COMMAND	MESSAGE	RA ID	SIGNATURE ALGORITHM 1	KEY LENGTH	SIGNATURE ALGORITHM 2	KEY LENGTH	PARAMETERS
CERTIFICATE ISSUANCE	Message3	RA2	RSA	2048 bits	ECDSA	192 bits	p=XX,...

SIGNATURE GENERATION INSTRUCTION

COMMAND	MESSAGE	KEY LENGTH
SIGNATURE GENERATION	Message3	2048 bits

FIG. 24 C

SIGNATURE GENERATION INSTRUCTION

COMMAND	MESSAGE	KEY LENGTH	PARAMETERS
SIGNATURE GENERATION	Message3	192 bits	p=YY,...

FIG. 24 D